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Docket No: 4110/1F080-US1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Akihiko Nagai

Serial No.: 09/881,574

Art Unit: 1724

Confirmation No.: 7320

Filed: June 14, 2001

Examiner: R. H. Spitzer

For: **VACUUM DEAERATION DEVICE**

AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated June 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows: